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SUBJECT: UN MISSION'S RENTAL ARREARS: AZERBAIJAN,

KYRGYZSTAN. AND PALAU

REF: A. USUNNY 673

_B. USUN NY7674

- 11. This is an action request. See para 3.
- 12. USUN Host Country is informed by Vornado Realty Trust that the following Permanent Missions to the United Nations, with office space at 866 UN Plaza, New York, NY, have been delinquent in paying their monthly rental and related tenant charges. Arrears as of August 1, 2009 are listed below:
- Azerbaijan, \$44,903.78, last payment received in June 2009
- Kyrgyzstan, \$9,544.37, last payment received in April 2009
 - Palau, \$17,490.85, last payment received in May 2009

Outstanding arrears for UN missions of Comoros (\$34,564.94) and Democratic Republic of the Congo (\$90,674.20) were reported separately last month (see reftels). USUN has sent letters to the Permanent Representatives of the aforementioned missions requesting prompt settlement.

¶3. Action Request: Department is requested to demarche relevant capitals to stress importance of settling outstanding debt and ensuring timely payment of rent, by the first of each month, per their lease agreements. The Vice President for Operations of Vornado Realty in NY particularly requested DOS intervention to encourage payments prior to the upcoming UNGA session in September and the distractions of high-level delegations in NY.